In the Claims:

- 1. (Original) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
- a body; and
- a lip extending from said body;
- said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
- a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch).
- 2. (Original) The container of claim 1, further comprising polystyrene, polyethylene, or polypropylene.
- 3. (Original) The container of claim 1, wherein said body comprises a sidewall and a base.
- 4. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of apertures therein.
- 5. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of support ribs thereon.
- 6. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of spikes thereon.
- 7. (Original) The container of claim 6, wherein each of said plurality of spikes comprises a base surrounded by a plurality of blades.
- 8. (Original) The container of claim 1, wherein said lip comprises a flange extending from said flat surface.

- 9. (Original) The container of claim 8, wherein said flange extends downwardly at an angle so as to form a pocket with said body.
- 10. (Original) The container of claim 9, wherein said pocket comprises an upper curved radius.
- 11. (Original) The container of claim 1, further comprising a lid to be positioned within said body.
- 12. (Currently amended)

 The container of claim 11, A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:

a body;

a lip extending from said body;

said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and

a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch); and

a lid to be positioned within said body;

wherein said lid comprises a concave shape.

- 13. (Original) The container of claim 11, wherein said lid comprises a plurality of apertures therein.
- 14. (Currently amended) The container of claim 11, A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:

a body;

a lip extending from said body:

said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and

a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch); and

a lid to be positioned within said body:

wherein said body comprises one or more ever-cuts therein for said lid.

- 15. (Original) The container of claim 1, further comprising one or more layers of filter paper positioned within said body.
- 16. (Original) The container of claim 1, further comprising a foil envelope for holding the ground coffee or the tealeaves.
- 17. (Currently amended) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a base;

said base comprising a plurality of apertures therein;

- a circular sidewall extending from said base; and
- a lip extending from said sidewall;
- said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
- a flange extending downwardly from said flat surface;
- said flange comprising a curved inner radius.
- 18. (Original) The container of claim 17, wherein said flange comprises a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch).
- 19. (Original) The container of claim 17, wherein said base comprises a plurality of spikes thereon.

20-30. Withdrawn.

31. (New) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising: a body;
a lip extending from said body;
said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
a lid to be positioned within said body;
said lid comprising a concave shape;
wherein said body comprises one or more cuts therein for said lid.